STATE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM
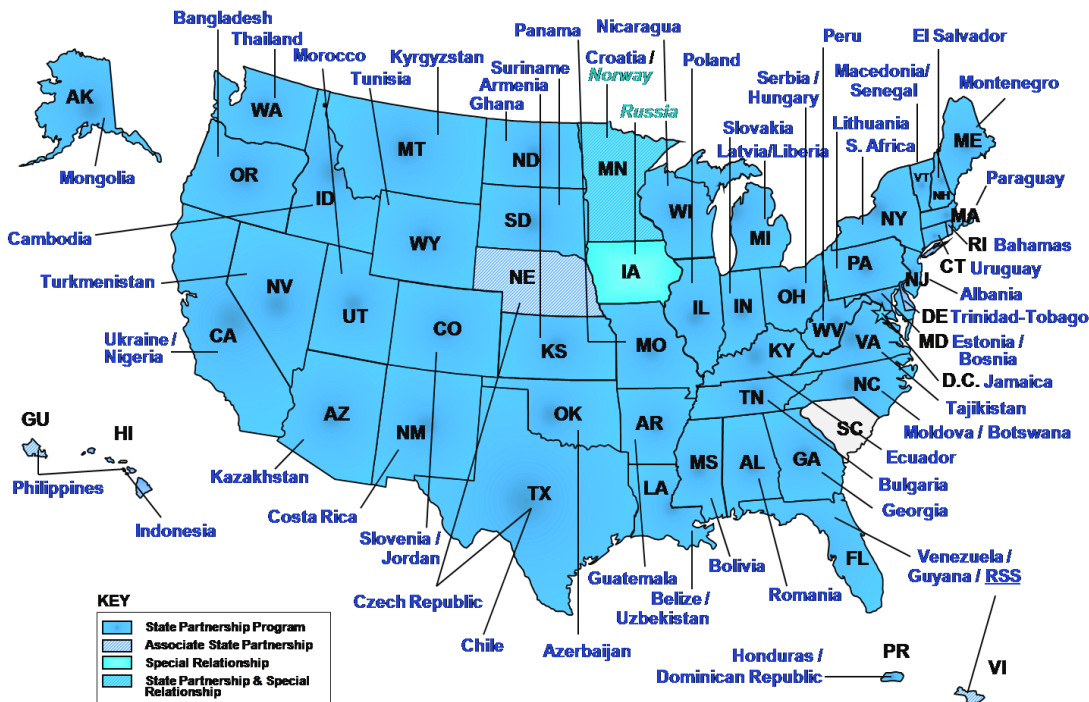

Building Relationships that Enhance Global Security, Understanding & Cooperation

Mission: Enhance combatant commanders' long-term U.S. and international security by building enduring civil military partnerships across all levels of the host nations' society.

Overview: Program partners engage in a broad range of security cooperation activities to include homeland defense/security, disaster response/mitigation, consequence/crisis management, interagency cooperation, border/port/aviation security, combat medical, fellowship-style internships, and bilateral familiarization events that lead to training and exercise opportunities.

The program is an evolving international affairs mission for the National Guard. It emphasizes the Guards' dual state-federal character to interact with both the active and reserve forces of foreign nations, interagency partners, and international non-governmental organizations.

62 Global Partnerships

KEY
- State Partnership Program
- Associate State Partnership
- Special Relationship
- State Partnership & Special Relationship

Value

- Ability to focus a part of the Department of Defense—a state's National Guard—with a single country or region in support of U.S. and partner country objectives

- Concentrated focus encourages international cooperation, understanding, and the development of enduring relationships while building mutual capacity to tackle the world's toughest challenges

- Optimum partnership is one that: The partner nation professes genuine interest in partnership; U.S. national and regional security cooperation objectives are satisfied; the force protection risk is acceptable; a minimum of additional resources is required to execute engagement, and; National Guard core competencies, particularly homeland defense and support to civil authority are fully incorporated

Locations

Today, 48 U.S. states, two territories, and the District of Columbia are partnered with 62 countries around the world.

U.S. European Command: 21

U.S. Central Command: 6

U.S. Southern Command: 20

U.S. Pacific Command: 6

U.S. Africa Command: 8

U.S. Northern Command: 1

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